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In re Application of:

DANIEL ANDRÉ GASTEL

Group Art Unit: Unassigned

Application No. 10/553,622

Examiner: Unassigned

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For: LAMINATED PRODUCT WITH AN  
ELECTRONIC IDENTIFICATION  
ELEMENT AND IDENTIFICATION  
AND MONITORING DEVICE FOR  
THESE PRODUCTS

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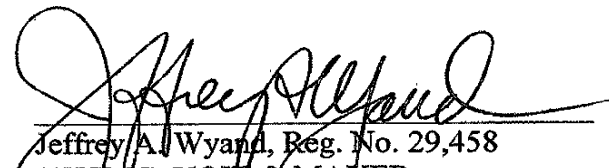
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## INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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**A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER**  
IPC 7 B32B7/06

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

**B. FIELDS SEARCHED**

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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